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RESTRICTION ELECTION

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 24, 2006, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-18, drawn to a method for designing wiring in a multilayered substrate, classified in Class 716, subclass 13. This election is made with traverse, and Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application in connection with unselected claims 19-30, drawn to an electronic structure.

With regard to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants respectfully submit that the subject matter of all claims 1-30 is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the search and the examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP § 803, in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden,

the Examiner must examine it on the merits." Applicants respectfully submit that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

In particular, Applicants respectfully note that a search and examination for claims 19-30 has already been performed and serves as the Examiner's basis for the prior office action mailed July 22, 2005. Therefore, examination of claims 19-30 does not constitute a serious burden.

Should the Examiner require or request anything further from Applicants prior to examination, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below. Otherwise, Applicants request early and favorable examination on the merits. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 09-0456.

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